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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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Date of Interview: 23 November 2004.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
 c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1,2,5,9-12 and 19-21.

Identification of prior art discussed: Craig (5,790,176).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant argue that the rejections of claims 9-10, and 19-20, under 112 first paragraph was persuasive. Thus the rejection will be withdrawn upon submission upon filing of a response. The rejections of claims 2, 5, 12, and 15, under 112 2nd paragraph will be withdrawn upon applicant filing a response. As per claims 2 and 12, applicant's suggestion to reorder the claims's limitations would overcome the 112, second paragraph rejection. As per claims 1, 11, and 21, it appears that applicant's proposed amendment, that the plurality of disks are RAID disks in claims 1,11, and 21, would overcome the 103 (a) rejections in view of Craig (5,790,176).